

	<i>tense name</i>	<i>general English equivalent</i>	<i>example of formation with the verb "acheter"= to buy</i>
A	le plus-que-parfait	what had happened	j'avais acheté <i>I had bought</i>
B	le passé composé	what happened, did happen, has happened	j'ai acheté <i>I bought, I did buy, I have bought</i>
C	le passé simple	" "	j'achetai <i>same as passé composé above</i>
D	l'imparfait	what was happening, used to happen, would happen, happened	j'achetais <i>I was buying, I bought, I used to buy, I would buy</i>
E	le passé du conditionnel	what would have happened	j'aurais acheté <i>I would have bought</i>
F	le passé du subjonctif	....that something happened	. . . que j'aie acheté <i>....that I bought, did buy, have bought</i>
G	le passé récent	what just happened	je viens d'acheter <i>I just bought</i>
H	le présent (de l'indicatif)	what is happening, what happens, what does happen	j'achète <i>I buy, I do buy, I am buying</i>
I	le présent du subjonctif	....that something happens	....que j'achète <i>that I buy, do buy, am buying</i>
J	le présent du conditionnel	what would happen	j'achèterais <i>I would buy</i>
K	le futur proche	what is going to happen	je vais acheter <i>I am going to buy</i>
L	le futur antérieur	what will have happened	j'aurai acheté <i>I will have bought</i>
M	le futur simple	what will happen	j'achèterai <i>I will buy</i>

## Other verbal forms

N	l'infinitif	to happen; happening	acheter <i>to buy, buying</i>
O	l'infinitif passé	having happened, to have happened	(après) avoir acheté <i>having bought</i>
P	le participe présent	while happening, by happening, happening	(en) achetant <i>buying, while/by buying</i>
Q	le passé du participe présent	having happened	ayant acheté <i>having bought</i>
R	l'impératif	happen!	achète! achetons! achetez! <i>buy! let's buy!</i>